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Application No.: 09/923,737

Examiner: Ortiz Criado, J.

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Group Art Unit: 2655

Title:

A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR WRITE CLOCK SYNCHRONIZATION IN A DATA

STORAGE SYSTEM

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 20, 2000. If the above- application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114

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	() Other
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	() Suspension of action is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of months.
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Clock Synchronization in a

Data Storage System

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RCE with Preliminary Amendment

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2005, in conjunction with the RCE filed herewith, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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10981124-1 Examiner: Ortiz, C. Serial No.: 09/923,737

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